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Applicant: Tsuneo SATO et al. Conf.: 9732  
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For: COLOR CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTION  
APPARATUS, COLOR MANAGEMENT  
APPARATUS, IMAGE CONVERSION APPARATUS  
AND COLOR CORRECTION METHOD

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

September 4, 2001  
(Tuesday after Holiday)

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated July 2, 2001, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to expire on September 2, 2001, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-5, drawn to development of a multidimensional lookup table;

Group II, claims 6-8, drawn to lookup table compression and restoration; and

Group III, claims 9-16, drawn to color management and color conversion.